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Good morning,

Thank you for contacting us regarding renouncing or relinquishing U.S. citizenship. This email contains specific steps you must follow for your loss of nationality appointment. **Please read this email carefully**.

Renunciation of U.S. citizenship must:

1. Be taken in the presence of a diplomatic or consular officer;
2. Be taken outside the United States;
3. Be in the precise form prescribed by the Secretary of State.

Renunciation is an irrevocable action that cannot be reversed. Should you choose to pursue renunciation of your U.S. citizenship, you must provide **all** information requested and come in person to the U.S. Embassy or Consulate to sign an Oath/Affirmation of Renunciationof Nationality of the United States (DS-4080) and a Statement of Understanding Concerning the Consequences and Ramifications of Renunciation or Relinquishment of U.S. Nationality (DS-4081). These documents form the basis for the U.S. Department of State's decision regarding the U.S. citizen's request to renounce or relinquish citizenship and are enclosed for your information.

Before requesting an appointment, please read the information contained in these linked webpages closely:

1. Renunciation of U.S. Citizenship by Person Claiming a Right of Residence in the United States: https://travel.state.Renunciation-
2. Advice About Possible Loss of U.S. Nationality and Dual Nationality: https://travel.
3. Renunciation of U.S. Citizenship by persons claiming right of residence in the United States: https://travel.state.Renunciation%20of%

The Department of State has implemented a fee of $2,350 for administrative processing of a request for a Certificate of Loss of Nationality. The $2,350 fee is NOT refundable if the Certificate of Loss of Nationality is not approved by the Department.

Here is an overview of the process:

1. Contact the U.S. Embassy Bogota by email, providing the required information (see below). Upon receipt of your email, we will review the information for completeness.

2. We will schedule a first interview, by phone or in person, to discuss the process and consequences.
3. When your request is considered complete and we have all the information we need to develop your case, the Embassy will contact you to schedule a second appointment for you to appear at the Consulate and execute the documents in the presence of a consular officer.
4. On the day of your appointment, you will execute the attached forms. You are advised to familiarize yourself with these forms prior to your interview.
5. Your Loss of Nationality application and supporting documents will be forwarded to the Department of State in Washington, D.C. for consideration and adjudication, a process that may take 3 to 6 months. U.S. citizenship documents will be retained until the Loss of Nationality is adjudicated by the Department of State. At this time, the Embassy will contact you with their determination.
6. If you decide that this is the course of action you wish to pursue, please email us at ACSBogota@state.gov. In your email, you must provide the following information (the U.S. Embassy in Bogota will respond to your email within 10-15 business days):
    - Your current name.
    - Your full name at birth (if different to current name).
    - Your date of birth.
    - Your place of birth (city/state/country).
    - Your current mailing address and telephone number.
    - Your last known address in the United States.
    - Your most recent U.S. passport number and date of issuance.
    - The dates you resided in the United States.
    - If you are a naturalized U.S. citizen, please advise the date you naturalized and where.
    - Details of the other nationality/ies you hold, and how and when it was acquired (e.g. Colombia, by birth).
    - Scan and email copies of your U.S. passport and, if applicable, your U.S. naturalization certificate or Consular Report of Birth Abroad. If you do not have at least one of these citizenship documents, provide your original or certified U.S. birth certificate (not a photocopy) as evidence of U.S. citizenship.
    - Scan and email copies of your foreign passport and/or foreign nationality certificate.
    - Original evidence of your prior expatriating act if you are documenting a prior relinquishment of U.S. citizenship (usually a foreign certificate of citizenship or naturalization with the date you became a foreign citizen, a foreign oath of allegiance signed by you, evidence of service in a foreign government post, or evidence of service in a foreign state military force as an officer or if the foreign military force was engaged in hostilities with the United States). This is not required if you are currently a U.S. citizen renouncing your U.S. citizenship. Please see Advice About Possible Loss of U.S. Nationality and Dual Nationality to learn about the difference between non-renunciation renunciation.
    - If you wish to provide a separate written explanation of your reasons for renouncing, please attach it as a Word document.

1. Please see the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) information on U.S. federal tax. **You are responsible for fully informing yourself of, and complying with, the federal tax consequences of relinquishing United States citizenship**.
   - U.S. Citizens and Resident Aliens Abroad
   - Expatriation Taxation
   - IRS Form 8854 – Initial and Annual Expatriation Information Statemen (PDF 185 KB)
   - Instructions for IRS Form 8854 (PDF 243 KB)

Should you have any questions please send an e-mail to: ACSBogota@state.gov. If you do not understand any aspect of the loss of nationality requirements or process described above or you are unsure about whether you would like to continue with the expatriation process, you may speak by phone or in-person with a consular mission member or consular officer at the Embassy.

Sincerely,

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